



## Joining The Picnickers — — —

## Town Employees

## THE COOPERATOR PICNIC



## July 4th Plans Announced

With a majority of the Greenbelt organizations "pitching in" in true cooperative fashion, the July 4 celebration promises to be one that will be enjoyed by boys and girls from six to sixty. The program is sponsored by the Greenbelt Citizens Association.

Since last week plans have been arranged whereby the Town Band will have the food and drink concession at the Greenbelt Lake, and the Athletic Club the bingo concession. The Lake will be the locale for the picnic scheduled to begin at 5 P.M. One of the many novelty and athletic events, novelty races, sponsored by the Men's Bible Class, will also be held at the Lake from 5 to 6 P.M. For these contests, eligible to children over eleven who live in Greenbelt, regardless of where they go to school, contestants should register beforehand with Leon H. (Pop) Widger - 15-E Parkway. A schedule of these contests will be found in this issue of the Cooperator.

There will also be a series of athletic events, in addition to the above, for which children should register with Vincent Holochwest, Town Recreation Director.

Beginning with the Grand Parade at 10 A.M. and ending with a display of fireworks at 9 P.M., this year's July 4 celebration has been planned so that all may enjoy, and one in which all may participate. It is expected that not only Greenbelt residents, but also a number of prominent non-residents will help celebrate with us.

Races	Starting Time
40 Yd. Sack Race-Boys 11-13 Yrs. Incl.	5:00 P.M.
40 Yd. Sack Race-Girls 11-13 Yrs. Incl.	5:06 P.M.
40 Yd. Pie Pan Balancing Running Race	
Boys & Girls 9-10 Incl.	5:12 P.M.
Bean Race-Boys & Girls 7-8 Yrs. Incl.	5:18 P.M.
Potato Race-Boys 14-15 Yrs. Incl.	5:24 P.M.
Bottle Filling Race-Girls 14-15 Yrs. Incl.	5:30 P.M.
30 Yds. Spoon & Egg Race-Boys & Girls 5-6 Yrs. Incl.	5:36 P.M.
40 Yds. Three Legged Race-Man & Wife	5:42 P.M.
Peanut Scramble-Boys & Girls-4 Yrs. & Under	5:48 P.M.
50 Yd. Needle Threading Race for Women	5:54 P.M.
Tug of War for Men	6:00 P.M.

There will be first, second and third prizes for all the events except the Tug of War for Men which offers 12 prizes.

## Legion Show A Huge Success

Last Saturday's performance of Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Finn played to one of the largest and most enthusiastic audiences in Greenbelt. For the town band the occasion was particularly successful since more than \$60 of the receipts will be applied to the uniform fund.

The 300 members of the audience witnessed an unusual performance of one of America's most familiar and most dearly loved stories. Most of the actors were children from Greenbelt's Elementary school.

Before the performance and during the intermission entertainment was provided by a concert of the band, juvenile tap dancers and a solo dance by Mrs. Lopez.

The showing was sponsored by the Greenbelt Post 136 of the American Legion and was produced and directed by Gene Thomas.

## Co-op Picnic Features Contests

Last Sunday was a nice day for a picnic, and about 175 employees and relatives of employees of Greenbelt Consumer Services and Rochdale Stores of Washington took advantage of it. The picnic, jointly sponsored by the two cooperative organizations, was held at the Greenbelt Lake.

Eating, contests, horseshoes, and other amusements kept the picnickers well occupied for most of the afternoon. The softball game, played during the morning on the lower diamond of Braden Field, resulted in a 7-7 tie between the "pick-up" teams representing the two cooperatives.

Most of the credit for arranging the details of the picnic is shared by Directors Denzil Wood and Lloyd MacEwen, who served on the G.C.S. Board's arrangement committee, General Manager George E. Hodsdon, Thomas B. Jeffries of the Food Store and Hugh Hawkins of the Drug Store.

Mr. Hawkins planned the menu and prepared the food, including the fried chicken. Mr. Jeffries had charge of arranging and supervising the contests, for which he selected and awarded the prizes. Mr. Crow of Rochdale Stores also actively aided in arranging the picnic.

To a number of other G.C.S. employees goes a share of the credit for their work in arranging for a large but successful picnic. Several cakes were also donated by several of the ladies.

The softball game was a "comedy of errors," and provided exciting entertainment for both the players and the spectators. The inning-by-inning scores were as follows:

Team	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
Rochdale	0	2	0	0	1	1	3	7
G.C.S.	0	0	1	2	3	0	1	7

In the 25-yard dash for children under 6, Thomas Ricker, Jr., was first, Dorothy Jean Marshall was second, and Tommy Hawkins was third in a close race. Winners of the 25-yard dash for children from 6 to 9 years old were as follows: Patsy Ricker, first; Mary Jo Holland, second; and Thomas Jeffries, Jr. third.

The 100-yard dash for all employees, in which no Rochdale people participated, was won by Ray Trumbule by eight lengths. Kenneth Jernberg came in second and James Mathers was third.

Two races for women were held, and resulted as follows: First race: Miss Irene Trumbule, first; Mrs. Louise Mathers, second; and Mrs. Dorothy Patrick, third. Second race: Miss Martha Likens, Miss Iva Lea Orndorff, and Mrs. Mary Holland in the order named.

There were six entries in the 2-man boat race. The rules were that one man rowed across the lake, touched the bank, after which the men changed places and the other man rowed back. The winning boat was manned by Denzil Wood and George Hodsdon; second place was taken by James Mathers of the G.C.S. Food Store and C.E. Planck of Rochdale. The third boat was rowed by Martin German and Wallace Saylor, both of Rochdale.

In the rolling pin contest the women had a hard time hitting the bag of sawdust representing the man. Many a pin was thrown before the prizes were awarded the first three winners, as follows: Miss Martha Likens, Mrs. Michael Juliano, and Mrs. Dorothy Patrick.

The finale was a needle-threading contest for the men. First was R.S. Sowell, with Comly Richie second and Ray Trumbule third.

Lorenzo Highbottom dropped the book to the floor, slumped in his chair and dozed off! It was Saturday afternoon and the Missis was cleaning house. She strode toward her snoring spouse, in a huff, and bent over to pick up the luridly covered volume which violated the harmonious arrangement of the living room. She squinted, cocked her head and read, "The Sabotage Menace." Seizing the book Mrs. Highbottom snorted and philosophically remarked to the floor. "He only reads about a menace."

Cold turkey and a strong dish of the lurid adventures of "Hart Pepper, the sabotage fighter" conspired this hot afternoon to disturb Lorenzo's siesta, and at the moment he was experiencing a daring and hair-raising encounter with a vicious band of bearded foreign spies bent on dynamiting his beloved town of Greenbelt.

Suddenly the screen door downstairs slammed with the report of a pistol shot. Lorenzo flew out the chair. Stealthily he sneaked over to the window. "Aha," he cried. Below him he espied two strange men, wild haired and sinister looking, engaged in a most suspicious activity. They were totting a barrel, and from the appearance of things it did not take Lorenzo long to surmise that the barrel contained gunpowder.

Lorenzo lowered the window shade, his eyes following every step of the "saboteurs", who had arrived beside a black sedan and were dragging the barrel of "gunpowder" into the rear seat. Soon the car was backing out into the road and was heading, Lorenzo knew it, in the direction of the power house. Lorenzo remembered Hart Pepper's famous warning that spies sabotage the communications before all else. Lorenzo saw his duty and he did not hesitate. In 23 seconds he was seated behind the wheel of his "Stutz" and roaring after the black sedan.

Frank Penn typesetter for the Cooperator, wiped the sweat from his face with the back of his hand and cursed mildly. "I manage to get the durnest jobs on the durnest days." Orville Wendland, staff colleague and all around lay-out man, agreed that it was hot and added, "When we get the ole barrel set up and the cold beer comes pourin' out the hot weather won't bother me none."

Their black sedan jumped over a bump in the road and Wendland hugged the beer barrel. Behind them there arose a terrific roar, resembling the sound of a low flying Spitfire.

Frank turned away from the wheel and shouted, "Holy smoke, look at the oil burner, tagging us! Phew, better keep ahead or he'll gas us out." He stepped on the gas. The Stutz picked up speed, too. Lorenzo was hot on the trail.

On the turn off to Indian Springs, Frank Penn lost his pursuer. The dirt road proved too much for Lorenzo's ancient conveyance and he was forced to abandon the car and follow on foot. Lorenzo mustered all his knowledge of woodcraft and kept to the trail like a bloodhound. Soon he reached the top of the incline and found the black sedan parked, empty. He hurried lest he be too late!

Frank and Orville set the barrel on two split logs and sat down on the nearest bench to regain their wind. "Gosh, that barrel is heavy," complained Orville. "She won't be nearly as heavy tonight," laughingly replied Frank.

The frankfurters and rolls were laid out on a table, Leroy Smith was busy tacking up signs on the trees. On a nearby shrub rested a small placard, "This shrub reserved for Shub." Other signs read, "Don't Pick Flowers—Pic-nic", "Don't Keep Off The Grass", "This Tree Reserved for Fosnight", "This area Reserved for—You Know What", "This way for a Beer-ul of Fun", etc. etc.

Patty Beebe and Sally Meredith were spreading old copies of the "Cooperator" as table cloths. Jack Schaeffer wise-cracked (as usual) "Finally found some use for these sheets." Frank Linhardt was coaxing a fire out of a few dry twigs with Mrs. Linhardt, chief typist, lending her moral support. Phil Wexler and Norman Pearson were mixing punch and Mrs. Wexler was trying to get a scared-stiff turtle to show his head.

Frank Fosnight, editor, was jumping all over the place and getting nothing done (as usual), and Ed. Weitzman was amusing his baby son, who was blissfully parked in a wash tub. Sol Shub came tearing down the road with Mrs. Shub to grab the first hot dog and Mrs. Wendland was rescuing little Carol Jean from the smothering affections of 2 year old Anthony Schaeffer. Abe Chasanow was attempting to escape the attachment of son Howard who was peppering him with the usual "why daddy's" while wife Helen "Chaz", news editor, was combing the crowd for reportorial assignments, (these practical women.)

Bill Stewart, business manager, was surveying the doings and figuring what it was going to set him back, and John Beebe was conspiring with Ed Meredith on novel methods of disposing of the beer (Good old Cardinal Puff). Mrs. Leroy Smith, Mrs. Ed. Weitzman, and Mrs. Jack Schaeffer were silently sampling the punch, with a little of that and a little of this.

The Cooperator annual picnic was soon in full swing. Frank Fosnight fetched his camera, the picnickers were gathered in a congenial pose and someone impatiently shouted, "O.K. shoot."

Suddenly a pale, trembling figure rushed in on the scene.

Lorenzo raised his hands in protest and hoarsely shouted, "Stop!"

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## NOTICE

The following letter was handed to the Editor by the signor shortly before the Cooperator was ready to go to press Wednesday night:

"June 25, 1941

"To the Editor:

"I have been informed by a member of the Cooperator staff that a letter is being printed in this week's issue which attributes dishonesty to me.

"Any such allegation is entirely false and a malicious attempt to defame my personal integrity.

"I wish to state that proper legal steps have been taken to bring the matter promptly into the Courts.

"Joseph Silagy, M.D."

In view of the above, and the fact that the Editor considers it necessary to fully protect the interests of those members of his staff who unselfishly give their time without compensation, from any possible threat of legal action, the Cooperator will refrain from publishing anything at all pertaining to the Health Association until such time as threat of legal action against any member of the staff is removed.

## Prices - Prices - Prices

Last week we printed a letter from one of our readers showing an alleged comparison of prices between our food store and those of a large chain organization. We will not go into the details because elsewhere in this issue there appears a complete story on the prices compiled by our Research Department, Wexler and Perlson. We are only interested in this obvious example of price shopping.

Our store could do business as depicted in the cartoon of the week. It could buy most anything and equal or beat other prices on the same commodity. It could resort to buying and selling you overstuffed packages of this and that. It could sell you the poorest grade of meats "needled" with chemicals and guarantee you a tender piece of meat each time. It could do all this but it won't because it is a Co-operative owned and operated by you, the people. Co-operative principals do not permit this type of business.

## Congressman Praises Co-ops

Congressman Jerry Voorhis of California, speaking at a recent cooperative banquet at the Hotel Edison in New York, described the cooperative movement as "the best school of democracy that has yet been developed in this world." He told the assembled co-operators that "to have a democratic society we must have a society of free men" - free from economic tyranny as well as from political dictatorship. "The cooperatives have already demonstrated that they can break the grip of monopoly upon the people. They did it in Sweden. They did it in England. And they have done it in some outstanding instances in the United States. So far as I know," the Congressman stated, "the co-ops stand alone among all the methods that have so far been tried - except the government yardstick - as a successful means to accomplish this purpose so essential to economic freedom."

"Consumers, if organized broadly enough and if loyal enough to one another and their country's welfare can make any monopoly in the world tremble in its boots," Mr. Voorhis said.

## COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWS

This coming Sunday is CHILDREN'S DAY IN CHURCH. Last year at about this time the Church and Church School joined together at the 11:00 Service in joint worship. All departments cooperated and a large service resulted. This year Mr. S. Cregger, the Superintendent, has announced that the opening exercises will be eliminated and that he wishes the pupils of the school to report to their classes at 10:00, and from 10:45 to 11:00 the entire school will get seated in the auditorium.

This joint worship period enables both the Church folk and those specifically attached to the Church School to get a glimpse of what is being done in both phases of the Church's life. Mr. Cregger and the Minister will give brief talks.

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Regular monthly meeting of the Community Church Guild will be held this coming Wednesday afternoon, July 2, 1:30, at the home of Mrs. Robert L. Kincheloe, 6-G Crescent Road. All the women of the Congregation and of the Church are invited to attend. The meeting will devote itself to working on materials for coming Fall Bazaar.

## Prices - Prices - Prices



## Letters to Editor

To the Editor:

I desire to inform you and the people of Greenbelt that on June 20th a moral injustice was performed at the graduation exercises in the elementary school.

Two of our Greenbelt boys were denied the privilege of receiving their diplomas with their classmates because of very minute and trivial incidents that occurred in rehearsals the day previous to commencement. One boy had exchanged seats with another classmate but without permission of the teacher and the other boy was chewing gum.

Mrs. Reed stated that one of the lads came to her and apologized so pitifully that she almost broke down, but regardless of this she was determined to make an everlasting example, of discipline, of these boys.

The humiliation and sadness wrought upon this boy was so depressing that it will take a long time, mentally, to overcome.

It is treatment such as this that destroys the initiative in our boys and places within them the spirit of vengeance towards their elders.

I feel that other parents of Greenbelt children should know of this, lest, a similar fate befall them.

A Disappointed Parent

Dear Editor:

After going round and round with the Japanese beetles, I have found a way of getting in a few licks. The idea is probably an old one, but it sure works, so I thought that I would pass it on.

It seems that like other foolish young things, beetles are attracted toward bright lights at night. So, if one hangs an electric light near his flower bed after dark and drapes a piece of sticky fly paper directly underneath, the bugs will fly round and round and eventually get all messed up with the stickum. The more ambitious seems to have the ability to untangle themselves and to eventually fall to a spot directly beneath the paper. To catch these guys, simply place a bucket with a little water in the bottom directly below the spiral fly paper.

By allowing such a bug catcher to operate for three hours after dark on Sunday evening in a small flower bed, 316 beetles (I counted them) succumbed. At the end of the period a few wall flowers were sitting around on the shrubbery admiring the light but not taking part in the activities. Such bugs which do not fall for the idea are of course stupid and can be easily caught with the thumb and forefinger and placed in the bucket where they belong. The final act is to dump a little lye into the bucket, swish the liquid around a little and lay your catch out on a newspaper for counting (in case you are interested).

So—if each family in Greenbelt with flower beds would buy a piece of stickum paper and catch beetles as described periodically, maybe our posies would have a chance of living through the summer.

Very truly yours,

W. H. Power

At the Greenbelt High School graduation exercises held last Friday the following awards were made: Medals for highest scholastic standing to Verne Schwab of the graduating class and James Babbitt of the junior class and citizen awards to Leroy Clark and Bernice Hudgins.

## THE COOPERATOR PICNIC

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It was too late when he saw the white caps, lined up neatly beside the beer barrel. Lorenzo knew he had erred. He was tired and hot. The beers looked inviting. His tongue hung out like the tongue of a panting hound. Visions of exploding girders made way for a deep and simple yearning. Lorenzo was very thirsty.

"Hello, Bud, have a beer", an inviting hand held up the taunting glassful.

He did.

Editors note: Some day we will learn. We told our re-write man, Mr. Schaeffer, to give us a story on our picnic last Saturday. This is the result. The headline writer took one look and fainted, hence no more headline. We are sorry but we just couldn't throw away this literary masterpiece. We hope you enjoy it as much as we enjoyed the picnic.

## Local Men Take Top Honors In Shoot

Greenbelt was represented at the rifle tournament at Camp Simms in Anacostia on June 22 by six Greenbelt Gun Club shooters, Harry Bates, Don and Mildred Kern, Harry Hesse, Lyman Woodman, and Paul Zimmerman. Woodman won the medal for high score in the team total with a score of 395x400. Bates ran a close second with 394. Greenbelt placed about midway among the dozen or more teams participating in the match.

Hesse, Kern, and Woodman have registered as competitors in the Annual Eastern Smallbore Championship Matches to be held at Camp Ritchie, Cascade, Maryland, July 2 to 6. These matches are second in importance and size only to the National Rifle Matches held at Camp Perry, Ohio in September. Camp Ritchie winners in the shooting divisions of Master, Expert, Sharpshooter, and Marksman will represent the eastern section of the country in the National Matches later in the year at the expense of the National Rifle Association. The three Greenbelters leave for Ritchie on July 3 to shoot in rifle matches on the 4th and 5th.

## Refugee Children To Arrive Tuesday

Greenbelt's ten refugee guests will arrive at Union Station, Washington on Friday, July 1st, at 5:30 P.M., accompanied by Mrs. Harold Levi. The Refugee committee will meet them at the train and drive them to Greenbelt.

Families in Greenbelt receiving the children are Dr. and Mrs. James McCarl, Mr. and Mrs. Garnette Megee, Mr. and Mrs. Fred De Jaeger, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Perchick, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Schwartz, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ratzkin, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Wexler, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Nicodemus, Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Chasanow.

## Do You Have A Spare Garage ?

The Boy Scout Mothers Club of Troop 252 is endeavoring to secure the use of a closed garage for two weeks or more. Anyone vacationing who will not be using their garage, for that period of time, please telephone Greenbelt 5121 for information. The donation of the use of a garage will enable the boys to augment their funds and purchase some needed equipment for the troop.



## OUR NEIGHBORS by Patty Beebe

Those of you interested in hearing an interesting and entertaining Health lecture (and missed the last one) may do so July 8 at the Elementary School in the Homemakers' Room at 8 o'clock. It is free to you, but for every man and wife who attends together \$75¢ will be given to the Greenbelt Band for uniforms. There is no obligation attendant to your appearance and the cause is a worthy one.

Mr. 'n Mrs. Orville Wendland and their 18-months' old daughter, Carol Jean, and Mr. 'n Mrs. J. Louis Plocek and infant son, Raymond, are leaving June 30 for their vacation in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. They will be gone the entire month of July. Mr. Wendland the typesetter for the Cooperator expects to dash over to Greendale, Wisconsin, compare that place generally, and their newspaper in particular with ours. —Miss Rhoda Weimert leaves this week for Buffalo, New York, following a hear of teaching Kindergarten in the Elementary School. She also taught in the Community Church School and sang in the Church Choir. Like her sister, Mrs. Robert Kincheloe, she will marry a minister. Her marriage to Rev. H. Richard Bills will take place the first week in September in Buffalo. The couple will make their home in Crescent City, Florida. —Miss Bernice Hudgins, one of the outstanding members of the High School graduating class, left June 18th with her great grandfather who came from San Angelo, Texas to take her home. Among other things, Bernice was editor of the Pioneer, The G. H. S. Publication, feminine lead in the senior play and recipient of a citizenship certificate awarded at the Kiwanis Banquet. She made her home here with her sister, Mrs. J. B. McWhorter, of 17-B Ridge.

Mrs. Alva G. Harris is recuperating from an appendectomy performed by Dr. W. R. Malin of Riverdale, a member of the Greenbelt Hospital's courtesy staff, at that hospital on June 19. She is doing nicely. —J. B. McWhorter, of 17-B Ridge Road, received his B. C. S. from Benjamin Franklin University, at the Mayflower Hotel, Wednesday, June 18th. He was one of 26 Honor Students out of 258. —The hospital has had a busy week, with four babies, one appendectomy, and the first aid treatment to a workman at the housing project whose hip was broken.

Visiting Greenbelt June 25 were representatives of the two other Cooperative projects. From Green Hills, Ohio, Miss Raymond and from Greendale, Wisconsin, Miss Graf. They were shown over Greenbelt by Mrs. Mary Jane Kinzer and over lunch later they expressed to her their impression of Greenbelt which is favorably comparable to their respective homes.

My son Johnny reached the ripe old age of two years on the 24th and had his first birthday party. My mother, whose birthday is also on that day, was unable to make the trip here as she had planned but the other guests who arrived in fine form were Michael Meredith, 8 mos., Sally Fosnight, 8 mos., Peggy Taylor, two, Ann Vachon, two, Phyllis Chasanow, two, Al Edward Castaldi, three, Julia 'n Elizabeth Wessels, three, and Howard Chasanow, four.

Greenbelt was represented at this week's milk price hearings at the Department of Agriculture by Mrs. Evelyn Cooper, of 6-H Ridge, who spoke for the Greenbelt Better Buyers in urging that the proposed increase in the price of milk be not allowed. At the conclusion of the hearings the Department of Agriculture will rule on whether or not the milk prices in this area shall be increased. Consumer speakers pointed out the necessity of having milk available at reasonable prices if Vice president Wallace's plea for better nutrition.

## Congressman Praises Co-ops

The first full length book on the cooperative movement by an American Congressman will be off the press June 26. The book, to be called "The Morale of Democracy", is by Congressman Jerry Voorhis and is being published by Greystone Press, prominent New York publishers.

Designed to sell for \$1 in the regular bookstores and news stands, "The Morale of Democracy" will also be available in a cooperative edition available through cooperatives for 50¢ a copy.

## GREENBELTS NEW BARNES

On June 19, a baby boy to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Peterson, of 14-B Crescent Road.

On June 22, there were two new babies. A baby girl for Mr. and Mrs. George Barrett, of 2-G Southway, and a baby boy for Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Barker, of 1-H Gardenway.

On June 25, a baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Seybold of 40-B Crescent.

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## IMMUNIZATION URGED FOR CHILDREN UNDER 6 YEARS

From May 2nd to May 30th the Public Health Department of Prince Georges County, with the aid of local physicians, is holding clinics for diptheria immunization in 34 white and 5 colored schools. These clinics will make it possible for every child in the county from six months to six years of age to receive the toxoid treatment.

Diptheria is one of the most dangerous illnesses to which young children are particularly susceptible. It has been especially prevalent in Prince Georges County during the past year, and constitutes a real menace to every unprotected child. The toxoid treatment is safe and harmless. Immunity takes a few months to develop, so that children must have the treatment before an epidemic breaks out in order to receive full protection.

Committees from P.T.A.'s and other interested organizations in every school district in the county are making a house-to-house canvass of all pre-school children. They are urging that every child who has not been immunized within the last year be given the toxoid treatment in May. In some cases immunity does not last longer than one year. Schick tests which are the only check on permanent immunity will be available to these children sometime in the fall after six months have elapsed. The Schick test in itself may also increase immunity to diptheria. Every parent is urged to cooperate in this immunization program, so that diptheria may be stamped out of Prince Georges County.

A full report of this house-to-house canvass will be given at the National Child Health Day program in the Trinity Parish Church Hall in Upper Marlboro on May 1st.

## Winners In Gum Drop Co-op Essay Contest Announced

A feature of the closing elementary school assembly on Thursday, June 19, was the awarding of prizes to the winners of Gum Drop Co-op essay contest. The subjects of the essays were "Why We Have a Gum Drop Co-op" and "How Our Gum Drop Co-op Works." First grade students submitted posters instead of essays. The prizes included scrap books, mechanical pencils, and fountain pens.

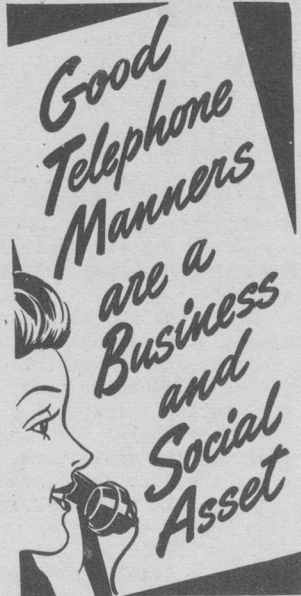
The winners of the prizes, and of a hearty round of applause from their fellow students, were as follows:

First Grade: Mary Ann Smith  
Second Grade: Billy May  
Third Grade: Thor Wood  
Third Grade (Special Prize): Betty May Gussio  
Fourth Grade: Jean Den Hartog  
Fifth Grade: Audrey Wiltcher  
Sixth Grade: Authur White  
Seventh Grade: Mahlon Eshbaugh

The judges of the contest were Dr. Georgia Benjamin, Professor Edith McNaughton, and Professor A.R. Marshall of the University of Maryland.

The essay contest was sponsored by the Education Committee of Greenbelt Consumer Services, and was carried out with the cooperation of the staff of the elementary school.

Editors note: We wish to make it absolutely clear concerning the publication of this series of articles by Wexler and Perlson. We exercise no control whatsoever over the material published in this column. Their conclusions come to you without editorial restraint. We are pledged to aid the Cooperative movement in any way we can editorially and otherwise and we may disagree with the results published herein. This fact will never prevent the publication of their findings.



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## Bare Facts

By Phil Wexler & Norman Perlson

A letter published in the "Letters to the Editor" column last week, signed "A Neighbor", was received too late for us to check the prices and quality

A letter published in the "Letters to the Editor" column last week, signed "A Neighbor", was received too late for us to check the prices and quality listed therein. The letter was published verbatim without comment. However, due to the numerous inquiries of interested residents, we feel the necessity of furnishing some statement. There is no doubt in our minds that our "Neighbor" was sincere and that he furnished the information truthfully and fairly. Our only wish is that more people could do what this reader did.

We made a personal check on a large Acme store in Washington and found the food items mentioned bearing different prices. This only proves the difficulty of the task of keeping a check on prices in various stores. Although we are not prepared to make a general survey of meats - we can give our readers this much information:

Meat products are graded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and stamped designating the respective grades (e.g., prime, choice, good, commercial and utility). The meat sold at the Greenbelt Food Store is of "choice" grade. Investigation showed that the meat sold by Acme was labeled "good" or one step below "choice".

"Choice" meat - is the highest grade beef sold regularly at retail. It is most widely used by consumers who demand the highest quality of beef.

"Good" meat - is the highest grade beef sold in volume. It is in demand by those who want quality beef at moderate prices.

We offer this information on quality so that consumers may not be misled by spectacular advertising and apparently low prices without taking into account the important item of quality, when comparing meats sold in different stores. The definitions above are furnished by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

To get back to the letter - because of changing prices we decided that a comparison should hold up pretty well at any time between the Acme Store and our Food Store; unless, of course, either store ran a loss-leader on particular items that week. In that event, accurate comparison could not be made on such items.

For the purposes of our check, we are giving our "Neighbor's" list of prices and our list covering items on sale at our Food Store and Acme on Monday, June 23.

	ACME		FOOD STORE	
ITEM	Neighbor's Research		Neighbor's Research	
Chuck			B (.23 lb**	
roast	.15 lb.	.21 lb.	.25 lb.	(.25 lb.
Ground 2lbs.	.25	(2 lbs..33		
beef		(2 lbs..25	.29 lb.	.29 lb.
Portrhse	.35	(.39 lb.		
steak		(.40 lb.	.39 lb.	.38 lb.
Sirloin	.29	(.31		
		(.39	.47	.45
Bottom	.27	.29	.39	.38
round				
Top	.29	-	.41	.39
round				
Fryers	.25	-	.29	.29
Maxwell	c-.25	.25	.28	.28
Hse Coffee				
Spam	.27	.27	.27	.27
Bananas	3 lbs.	.20	same	same
Miracle	.31	.31	.35	.35
Whip				

Carnation 3 for .29 (same) 3 for .32 same milk

(A)-Two prices here indicate merely difference in cut quality is the same for both prices.

(B)- Indicates price variation for the same item.

(C)-Article price fixed (Higher in Maryland by State Law).

We offer the above as factual information without attempting to explain the prices until we have had an opportunity to check the prices on all items for a period of a few weeks. We will attempt to publish a monthly summary in tabular form showing price changes. Again, we repeat, that we welcome all suggestions and criticisms; we need them in order to insure an impartial survey.

## CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

For Sale-Practically New Studio Couch. Call 5681 or write Box 425.



## ALL WE ASK

is that when in the market for a New or Used Car you compare Our Quality and Prices.

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# Co-op Leadership

CO-OP leadership gives us real hope for democracy. It regards human being above the competition for profit. We in Greenbelt have a golden opportunity to further this CO-OP leadership with enthusiasm of purpose and loyalty to principles. — So let's carry on to the slogan.

**"FORWARD MARCH TO CO-OP LEADERSHIP"**

## FOOD SAVINGS



Every Modern Housewife Knows . . .



CO-OP Foods are Quality Foods — Made and Tested to Consumers Specifications and taste — CO-OP Values Lead the way to Economy.

### CO-OP



**Make a Place in Your Pantry for These Buys**

Special Thru Wednesday July 2nd

Evaporated Milk	Tall Can	7 ¢
Blue Label Sliced Pineapple	2 1/2 can	16 ¢
Blue Label Pears	2 1/2 can	17 ¢
Red Label Elberta Peaches	2 1/2 can	21 ¢
Red Label Elberta Peaches	#1 can 2-27 ¢	
Pineapple Juice	#2 can 2 for 21 ¢	
Tomato Juice	Tall Can	3 for 29 ¢
Grapefruit and Orange Juice	#3 can	19 ¢
Asparagus Cut Spears	14 1/2 oz.	17 ¢
Spaghetti	15 1/2 oz.	2 for 19 ¢
Spiced Lunch Meat	12 oz.	27 ¢
Apple Sauce	No. 2 can	3 for 25 ¢

### CO-OP

### SHORTENING

A Vegetable Shortening  
Equal to the best 3 lbs. — 41 ¢

## MEATS OF QUALITY

U. S. Choice Grade

The highest grade beef sold regularly at retail

**Chuck Roast 23¢ LB.**

Leg of Lamb	27 ¢ lb.
Sun Up Sliced Bacon	29 ¢ lb.
CO-OP Sliced Bacon	35 ¢ lb.



**Delicious Baked Hams**  
Whole or  
Half — 35 ¢ lb.

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### CO-OP GREEN BAG COFFEE

Packed in Pliofilm to assure freshness  
you'll get real enjoyment  
in the fine flavor of this  
100% high grade Santos

New  
Low  
Price **17¢ LB.**

**U.S. 93 Score**

This Highest of All  
Government Grading  
Assures Highest Quality



CO-OP Red Label -- Quarters	42 ¢ lb.
CO-OP Roll Butter	40 ¢ lb.

**Strictly Fresh!**

**Eggs**



CO-OP  
Selects  
33 ¢ doz.

All prices unless otherwise  
specified good for  
Saturday and Monday

**Special - Special  
Roberts**

**Grapefruit and Orange  
Juice 13 1/2 oz. cans 5¢**  
Limit 5 to a customer



Tomatoes, Firm for slicing	2 lbs. for 19 ¢
Bananas	lb. 6 ¢
New Potatoes	10 lbs. for 25 ¢
Lettuce - Iceberg	bu 10 ¢
Fresh Peas	2 lbs. for 17 ¢
Radishes	
Spring Onions	3 bu for 10 ¢

Special Thru Wednesday July 2nd

**CO-OP Soaps**

There is a CO-OP Soap  
For Every Purpose

**Two Outstanding Values**

New General Formula	2 for
Granulated Soap 24 oz.	25 ¢
Pure Soap Flakes - 16 oz.	17 ¢
5 lb. Economy Box	75 ¢

### Delicatessen

**SKINLESS  
FRANKS**

NO. 1  
QUALITY lb. 25 ¢



LIVERWURST	FRESH MADE	1/2 lb.	19 ¢
DRIED BEEF	ARMOUR'S "STAR"	1/2 lb.	25 ¢
CHEESE	AMERICAN WHITE or YELLOW	1/2 lb.	17 ¢
LUNCH MEAT	SLICED SPICED	1/2 lb.	17 ¢